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PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:)
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MAKOTO OGUSU ET AL.)
: Group Art Unit: Not Yet Assigned
Application No.: Not Yet Assigned)
: Filed: Herewith)
: For: METHOD OF MANUFACTURING)
: DIFFRACTIVE OPTICAL)
: ELEMENT) December 21, 2001

Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Sir:

Prior to calculating the filing fee, please amend the above-identified
application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please amend claims 11, 12, 16, 31 and 32 as follows. A marked-up copy of
the claims is attached.

11. (Amended) A method according to Claim 7, wherein said first and
second materials comprise silicon nitride.

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